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MEMORANDUM FOR: DEPUTY FOR POLICY COORDINATION, SE

SUBJECT: Daily Progress Report for Monday, 19 May 1952

1. BGFIEND. The air operations schedule for 15 May to 15 June has been received from []. Resupply missions are planned for the Pine Team on 7/10 June and for the Apple Team on 20 May and on 8/10 June. The date of the Pine resupply mission depends on the establishment of W/T contact, but it is hoped to combine it with the Apple resupply mission. Leaflets will be dropped on these missions as a deception measure. (IN 43697)

In addition [] has reported that, on the insistence of Col. Selmani, Halil Branitza, the Apple Team member who collapsed when crossing the Albanian border on 1 May, will rejoin the team. Branitza will be dropped at a prearranged location as soon as contact can be reestablished with the Apple Team. Selmani stressed that the team's chances for success would be greatly increased by Branitza's participation in the operation. If measures taken on the 20 May resupply mission succeed in re-establishing contact with the Apple Team, then Branitza will be dropped to the team on or about 7 June. In the event the contact is not successful, Branitza will return covertly to Germany and travel to Egypt with Col. Selmani. (IN 44236, IN 44419)

A cable from [] reported that Mr. Andreades, Director General of the Hellenik Electric Railroad, has bid \$28,000. for the M/V Juanita. [] has been authorized to accept the bid. (IN 43783)

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2. BGCONVOY. No report.

3. QKBROIL. No report.

4. JBEDICT. The meteorologist who will eventually replace [] in [], as weather officer in support of SE Division projects, has arrived in Greece. He will train with [] for at least six months in order to become completely familiar with both the overt and covert duties of his assignment.

E [], who has just completed an assignment as the Administrative Officer at the [] OPC Station, arrived in Washington on 17 May.

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